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## NATIONAL BROILER MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Majority prices were higher in the West, unchanged to higher elsewhere. Trade sentiment was at best steady. Demand over the weekend was slightly improved and covered the full range, best for retail ads and into fast food outlets. Supplies were at least adequate for trade needs. Processing schedules for this week are mostly part time with an occasional plant running July 4th. In the parts structure, availability was close for wings and tenders, more than sufficient for remaining parts. Trading was light to moderate. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at weights mixed, but mostly desirable.

**Final report** of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers at major market areas week of 7/03-07/08/00 (cents per lb)

AREAS	US GRADE A (Includes branded product)			COMPOSITE	
	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Bos/New Eng	52.50-53.50	52.81	16	56.49	29
Chicago	44.00-49.00	49.12	47	52.13	86
Cincinnati	TFEWR	—	—	58.55	33
Cleveland	TFEWR	—	—	59.87	15
Denver	64.50	64.40	17	62.78	36
Detroit	44.00-45.50	47.29	21	52.96	54
Los Angeles	65.00	63.96	59	63.14	119
New York	50.00-53.00	50.77	30	54.95	84
Philadelphia	44.00-50.00	48.57	7	51.15	26
Pittsburgh	44.50-50.00	48.20	10	55.30	67
St. Louis	48.00	47.80	17	52.10	45
San Francisco	65.50	64.91	28	67.59	49

### Composite 12 City Weighted Average

Loads	07/03/00	Change/Last Wk	06/26/00	07/05/99
643	57.33	1.25	56.08	60.87

**WOG BROILERS** (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS
East	50.00-56.00	54.45	47
Central	50.00-56.00	54.35	60
West	48.00-66.50	61.26	59

### Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent

Mississippi	59.00-60.00	59.90	85
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## GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 59.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,176	44.00-60.75	57.92
The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice pack parts:		
ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
BREASTS - B/S	138.00	4,255
BREASTS - WHOLE	72.00	1,566
THIGH MEAT - B/S	84.50	669
LEG QUARTERS	21.50	8,871
WINGS	51.00	2,936

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**NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was generally light entering the holiday week. Offerings of all sizes were more than adequate for current trade needs. Retail and distributive movement was mostly slow. The market tone was steady at best. In the parts market, supplies were fully adequate for limited trade inquiry.

**SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Trade sentiment was steady at best. Demand was quiet with little trade activity prior to the holiday. Supplies were more than sufficient for trade needs. Schedules for this week are mostly part time with spot plants running July 4th. In the parts structure, jumbo wings were adequate to close balanced and moving. The remaining items were at least adequate or available with slow to fair trading. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mostly desirable.

**WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS** Final majority prices 1 cent higher than last week. Market tone firm. Offerings adequate. Buyers interest fair a best. Retail demand overall moderate. Dealers reported moderate weekend carryovers. Parts trading reported: leg quarters 4/10s 23-24 and bulk 21-24, bone-in breasts 72-76 and boneless breasts 120-135. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG average was 49.73 up 1.99 with the volume reported down 8 percent to 24 loads.

**MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER** Final majority prices for this week's deliveries unchanged into Chicago, Detroit and St. Louis and TFEWR into Cleveland and Cincinnati from last Monday's final. Whole fryer trade sentiment generally steady. Retail demand in a full range, light to good over the weekend. Food service movement irregular, slow to fairly good, best into fast food outlets. Parts demand best on leg quarters and boneless skinless breast. Supplies of breast items adequate to fully adequate, balance of parts items adequate. Trade sentiment steady on all parts items.

**DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS** Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds varied for fill-in needs, but was often noted as decent. Advance interest was slow in developing. Seller offerings were fully adequate. Live supplies were at least moderate; weights were mostly desirable to heavy. Processing schedules were moderately heavy. No local plants were scheduled to operate on the Tuesday, July 4th holiday. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 53 to 65 cents. Trade sentiment was barely steady. In the parts complex, wings and tenders were generally noted as in best balance. Other cuts were at least adequate for the light and spotty buying interest.

\*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A	
RANGE	50-64
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	56.05
NO. OF BOXES	9,078

\*7 of 8 plants reporting.

**NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS** Trucklot buying activity was light and unaggressive for a major holiday week. Movement was fairly good in some locations, however offerings were more than adequate for trade needs. Retail and distributive movement was slow to moderate with features generating the best interest. The market tone was at best steady.

PRICES PAID PER POUND, ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES.

ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	130	134.23	431,414
TENDERLOINS	150-155	161.80	86,960
BREAST - WITH RIBS	63-64	69.82	241,080
BREAST - LINE RUN	63	64.40	52,400
LEGS	35-36	39.24	118,600
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	24-25	26.52	501,727
DRUMSTICKS	37-38	39.68	115,780
THIGHS	23-24	32.35	132,020
B/S THIGHS	84-85	90.11	27,800
WINGS (WHOLE)	53-54	65.62	236,120
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	12.03	72,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	34.49	44,880
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.78	78,080

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

\* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

\*\* WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

#### ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS

F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,135	115.00-140.00	120-130	124.85
TENDERLOINS	214	155.00-210.00	193-199	182.36
BREAST - WITH RIBS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
FRONT HALVES	NO TRADING REPORTED			
LEGS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	932	17.00-18.55	-	17.09
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	2,787	19.00-21.00	19.75	19.75
WINGS (WHOLE)	250	35.00-43.50	36-37	37.18
DRUMSTICKS	NO TRADING REPORTED			
THIGHS	1,016	19.25-39.00	-	25.94

#### ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	07/03	06/29	06/29	06/26	06/22
ALA	4,019	4,010	4.89	3,930	4.88
ARK	3,583	4,854	4.73	5,155	4.78
DELMARVA	2,482	2,414	5.07	2,329	5.13
KY-LA-TN	2,051	2,133	4.33	2,067	4.44
MISS	2,805	2,658	4.90	2,773	4.98
NC	2,097	2,609	5.72	2,501	5.69
TEXAS	2,368	2,349	4.70	2,372	4.78
TOTAL	19,405	21,027	4.90	21,127	4.94
MON	19,405(A)			21,127(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 03-Jul 2000 is estimated to be 29,032,000 down 8.43 percent from a week ago and up 276.11 percent from a year ago.  
(Last week 31,703,000, last year 7,719,000)

**SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS** F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED OR CO2 PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	709	125.00-191.00	130-140	139.06
TENDERLOINS	263	155.00-210.00	-	173.56
BREAST - LINE RUN	103	61.00-74.50	-	68.38
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	88	27.00-38.00	27-29	28.00
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	316	17.00-21.00	17-18	18.59
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,080	19.00-23.00	20-21	20.96
WINGS (WHOLE)	162	45.00-52.50	47-48	48.58
WINGS (CUT)	402	51.00-77.00	55-57	55.29
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS  
TRADING FOR JULY 3, 2000 — F.O.B. DOCK.

	TODAY'S RANGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
	34.00 - 38.00	35.63
		35.40

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

**MIDWEST REGION PARTS** PRICES PER LB., ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF JUL/03-07/00

	Price Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	120.00 - 145.00	125.00 - 130.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	62.00 - 75.00	63.00 - 66.00
LEGS	29.00 - 35.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	18.00 - 23.00	19.00 -
DRUMSTICKS	24.00 - 45.00	-
THIGHS	24.00 - 32.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	38.00 - 49.00	41.00 - 43.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	15.00 - 20.00	-
LIVERS	25.00 - 39.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	35.00 - 48.00	-

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	77-88
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	80-87
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	73-79
FROZEN DUCKS	135
FROZEN SQUABS	589
<b>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)</b>	
FRESH FRYERS	79-83
ROASTERS 4# & UP	65-90
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	68-74
DUCKS	125
RABBITS-WHOLE	294
RABBITS-CUT UP	299

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	102-104
	ICE PACK
ROASTERS 4# & UP	106-111
	ICE PACK
	DRY PACK
HENS OVER 5#	112-119
	DRY PACK
	ICE PACK
DUCKS	94
	148-160

**EASTERN REGION** PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. 30-JUN-00

**CHICKEN PRICES**

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	15.00	-	17.00	-
WTD AVERAGE	15.00		17.00	

440,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment

**CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN**

15% OR LESS				
RANGE 13.75-16.00	16.50	12.00	16.00	
WTD AVERAGE 15.39	16.50	12.00	16.00	

774,000 pounds, this includes 200,000 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%				
RANGE 12.00-14.00	-	11.50-12.00	12.00-15.00	
WTD AVERAGE 12.85		11.59	13.71	

1,048,000 pounds, this includes 248,000 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE

RANGE	-	-	-	12.50
WTD AVERAGE				12.50

80,000 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

\* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

**SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN** Prices were about unchanged from the past week. Demand was only moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent heavy hens. Schedules for the holiday week were reduced with sales slow to no better than fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 03-JUL-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5-12.75	7-8.25	7.72

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**CENTRAL REGION** PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND FOR DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS. 30-JUN-00

**CHICKEN PRICES**

FAT CONTENT	-----FROZEN-----		-----FRESH-----	
	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED	FOB DOCK	DELIVERED
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

**CHICKEN PRICES, WITH ADDED SKIN**

15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	18.00	14.00	15.00
WTD AVERAGE		18.00	14.00	15.00

183,600 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

15-20%				
RANGE 11.00-15.00	14.00	10.50-12.00	13.00-14.00	
WTD AVERAGE 12.50	14.00	11.24	13.25	

1,428,000 pounds, this includes 40,800 pounds for export shipment.

20% OR MORE

RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

0 pounds, this includes 0 pounds for export shipment.

\* INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING STATES: AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

**SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN** Majority trading was unchanged to lower than a week earlier. Offerings were ample for a light and unaggressive demand. Processing schedules were reduced for current week. The market tone was barely steady to mostly weak.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) \*  
FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 03-JUL-00

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	3.75-14	3.75-8.25	6.55
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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